

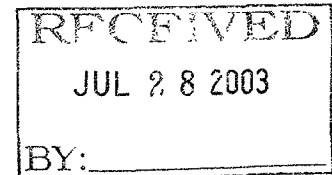


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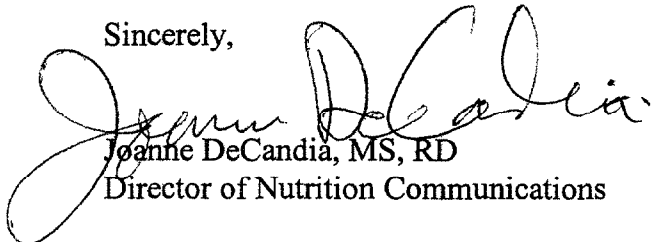
Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Biotin supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Bioenergy Nutrients, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, HealthSmart Vitamins, HealthWatchers, Herbal Authority, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, PhysioLogics, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition, and Vitamin World:

- Supports/promotes skin & hair health.
- Found in foods such as oatmeal and soy, Biotin, a water soluble B vitamin, assists in energy metabolism in cells.
- Biotin helps to support healthy skin and hair.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

  
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Director of Nutrition Communications

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